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U.S. Patent Documents

<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Date of Publication</u>
Hall-Goulle	6,071,632	6/6/00
Lebl, et al.	6,045,755	4/4/00
Gordeev, et al.	6,025,371	1/15/00
Bier, et al.	5,980,839	11/9/99

Summary of References:

U.S. Patent No. 6,071,632 to Hall-Goulle discloses certain triboluminescent lanthanide complexes and the use of the compounds for optical sensors sensitive to impact tension or pressure. Hall-Goulle '632 shows compounds made with Eu, Tb, Dy and Sm according to equation 2 with a diketone in which R1 and R2 are independently phenyl, and t-butyl. This reference also claims hydrogen, C₁-C₆ alkyl and an additional alkyl substituent on the center carbon of the diketone. The compounds are triboluminescent when the amines are p-N,N-dimethylaminopyridine, N-methylimidazole and p-methoxypyridine-N-oxide and R1 = R2 = C(CH₃)₃ for Eu, Tb, Dy, and Sm. Literature methods are shown for making the initial lanthanide reagent.

U.S. Patent No. 6,045,755 to Lebl, et al. shows a robot for fully automated combinatorial synthesis protocols. The robot is programmable to manipulate tools and reagents among reaction vessels distributed over a lab workstation. The robot is capable of sealing and

unsealing bottle, dispensing and removing fluids, and monitoring temperature controlled incubation. The robot is thereby capable of performing high throughput synthesis of compounds according to a programmable synthesis protocol.

U.S. Patent No. 6,025,371 to Gordeev, et al. teaches construction of a combinatorial library that contains a fused 2,4-pyrimidinedione, and a method for the identification of bioactive, fused 2,4-pyrimidinediones from those libraries. Combinatorial synthesis is performed on a solid support, suspending beads or particles in a solvent, then separating the beads in separate reaction vessels. The beads are washed, re-mixed in a parent container, and again divided and placed into separate reaction vessels. The mixing and redivision is repeated until each of the different chemical modules has been incorporated into the molecule attached to the solid support.

U.S. Patent No. 5,980,839 to Bier, et al. shows an apparatus and process for conducting automated combinatorial chemical synthesis. A vessel is provided that includes a reaction region having a plurality of individual reaction cavities with a port for adding or removing agents. Resin beads are distributed into each of the reaction cavities, and a reaction is performed on the resin beads. The beads are transferred to a mixing region disposed within the vessel. The apparatus and method enable multiple simultaneous reactions using a solid support.

Other Prior Art - Non Patent Literature Documents

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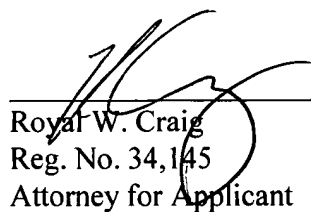
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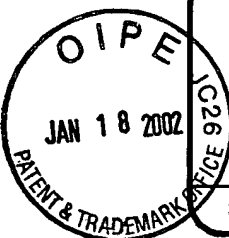
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